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1. On 10 February 1951, Alberto Lucidi, 40 Piazza Santa Maria Liberatrice, Rome, offered Josef Attas of the Attas and Milone firm, 1 Via Toscana, Rome, 4,000 tons of scrap iron, in the form of detonated aviation bombs located in a dump in Sicily. Although considered scrap iron, the bombs have been modified only to the extent of having the fuses and explosive charge removed and are allegedly still usable for military purposes.
2. Attas has as yet not taken any action on the offer of the aviation bombs. Lucidi has also offered Attas 66 tons of "bronze scrap", which, according to Source, may be the percussion apparatus of the above-mentioned bombs.
3. Lucidi first came to the attention of Attas in March 1950, when he sought the help of Attas in arranging sales to satellite countries: Recently Attas has had a considerable number of requests for scrap metal from satellite countries and queried Lucidi as to whether the latter would be in a position to make him any offers. Lucidi reportedly assured Attas in December 1950 that he would be able to supply scrap obtained from the demolition of naval and commercial vessels in Italian waters. However, the scrap from these sources did not meet Attas' specifications and he did not accept the offer.

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